

Substitute Bill No. 1055

January Session, 2015



AN ACT CONCERNING GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2015) The Commissioner of
- 2 Education shall designate an employee of the Department of
- 3 Education, preferably an employee who has experience working with
- 4 gifted and talented students, to be responsible for providing
- 5 information and assistance to local and regional boards of education
- 6 and the parents or guardians of students relating to awareness about
- 7 and identification of, and the provision of services to, gifted and
- 8 talented children.
- 9 Sec. 2. (Effective from passage) The Department of Education shall
- 10 study the provision of services to gifted and talented students in
- 11 schools. Such study shall examine the best practices for (1) addressing
- 12 the intellectual, social and emotional needs of gifted and talented
- 13 students in schools, and (2) using technology to extend and advance
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- curriculum materials to provide instruction to gifted and talented

students without promoting such students to higher grade levels. Not

- 16 later than January 1, 2016, the department shall submit a report on its
- 17 findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the
- 18 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education,
- 19 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
- 20 statutes.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2015	New section
Sec. 2	from passage	New section

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